



## **Lyft and nuTonomy Form Strategic Partnership to Optimize Passenger Experience in Self-Driving Cars**

Research will be conducted in Boston as nuTonomy tests its growing fleet of self-driving cars in the Seaport district

San Francisco, CA and Boston, MA, June 6, 2017 – nuTonomy, the leading developer of state-of-the-art software for self-driving cars, and Lyft, the fastest-growing rideshare platform in the United States, today announced a strategic R&D partnership focused on understanding and optimizing the end-to-end experience of autonomous vehicle (AV) passengers.

Under the partnership, nuTonomy and Lyft will align their respective technology platforms to gather valuable research and insights into all aspects of ensuring a passenger's comfort and safety during an AV ride – from routing and booking to the performance of the driving system and how it interacts and communicates with the rider.

Karl Iagnemma, CEO and Co-founder of nuTonomy, said, "By combining forces with Lyft in the U.S., we'll be positioned to build the best passenger experience for self-driving cars. Both companies care immensely about solving urban transportation issues and the future of our cities, and we look forward to working with Lyft as we continue to improve our autonomous vehicle software system."

Logan Green, CEO and Co-founder of Lyft, said, "At Lyft, we imagine a world where car ownership is optional and cities are designed for people instead of cars. Partnering with nuTonomy is an important step towards making this vision a reality. The nuTonomy team is one of the first movers in autonomous vehicle development, and we look forward to working with them to bring their autonomous vehicles to the Lyft network."

The collaborative R&D effort will take place in Boston, MA, where nuTonomy has been testing its self-driving electric cars since the beginning of the year. The tests are being conducted in Boston's Raymond L. Flynn Marine Park and the adjacent Seaport and Fort Point neighborhoods. An engineer from nuTonomy rides in each of its vehicles during testing to observe system performance and assume control if needed.

Through its testing program in Boston, nuTonomy is building on the knowledge it has gained from the road tests and public trials it has been conducting in Singapore's one-north business district since last August. nuTonomy plans to launch its self-driving mobility-on-demand service in Singapore in 2018. The latest video of a nuTonomy autonomous vehicle driving in Singapore is available at: [https://youtu.be/iP\\_IAlfZwU](https://youtu.be/iP_IAlfZwU).

Following the initial phase of this partnership, Lyft and nuTonomy will consider expanding it in ways that will yield additional learning and data about the ideal function, performance and features of an autonomous mobility on demand service that could be deployed in cities to tackle the difficult challenge of urban driving.

**About Lyft**

Lyft was founded in June 2012 by Logan Green and John Zimmer to improve people's lives with the world's best transportation. Lyft is the fastest growing rideshare company in the U.S and is available in more than 300 cities. Lyft is preferred by drivers and passengers for its safe and friendly experience, and its commitment to effecting positive change for the future of our cities.

**About nuTonomy**

nuTonomy is the leading developer of state-of-the-art software for self-driving cars founded by two world-renowned experts in robotics and intelligent vehicle technology, Drs. Karl Iagnemma and Emilio Frazzoli of MIT. The company has developed the first-of-its-kind complete solution for providing point-to-point mobility via large fleets of self-driving cars; this includes software for autonomous vehicle navigation in urban environments, smartphone-based ride hailing, fleet routing and management, and controlling a vehicle remotely through teleoperation. nuTonomy is conducting the world's first public trials of a self-driving car service in Singapore, and is testing its autonomous vehicles on public roads in Boston, MA. For more information about nuTonomy, visit: <http://nutonomy.com>.

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